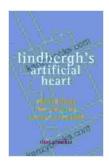
# The Lindbergh Artificial Heart: A Medical Breakthrough That Changed the World



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The Lindbergh Artificial Heart was a groundbreaking medical device that saved the lives of countless people. Developed by Dr. Robert Jarvik, the artificial heart was first implanted in a human patient in 1982. This article explores the history and impact of the Lindbergh Artificial Heart.

#### The Development of the Lindbergh Artificial Heart

The development of the Lindbergh Artificial Heart began in the early 1970s. Dr. Jarvik was inspired to create an artificial heart after witnessing the death of a patient who was waiting for a heart transplant. He believed that an artificial heart could save the lives of people who were waiting for transplants.

Dr. Jarvik and his team spent years developing the Lindbergh Artificial Heart. They tested the device in animals and made many improvements to its design. In 1982, the artificial heart was ready for human implantation.

#### The First Implantation of the Lindbergh Artificial Heart

The first implantation of the Lindbergh Artificial Heart was performed on December 2, 1982. The patient was Barney Clark, a 61-year-old man who was suffering from end-stage heart failure. Clark was given a 30% chance of surviving the surgery.

The surgery was a success, and Clark lived for 112 days with the artificial heart. During that time, he was able to walk, talk, and even eat. Clark's case proved that the Lindbergh Artificial Heart was a viable option for patients who were waiting for heart transplants.

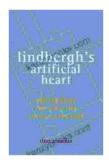
#### The Impact of the Lindbergh Artificial Heart

The Lindbergh Artificial Heart had a profound impact on the field of medicine. It was the first artificial heart to be implanted in a human patient, and it paved the way for the development of other artificial organs.

The artificial heart has saved the lives of countless people. It has given patients who are waiting for heart transplants a chance to live longer, fuller lives. The artificial heart has also helped to advance the field of medical research, and it has inspired new generations of scientists and engineers.

The Lindbergh Artificial Heart is a testament to the power of human ingenuity. It is a medical marvel that has saved the lives of countless people. The artificial heart is a symbol of hope for patients who are waiting

for organ transplants, and it is a reminder that anything is possible with the right amount of determination and perseverance.



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